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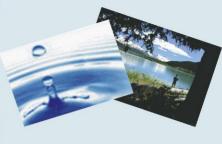
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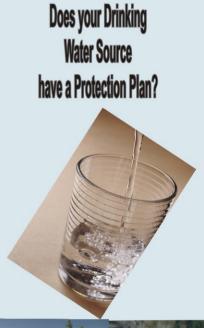
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Application Form





Wellhead **Protection Program**





What is a Wellhead Protection Management Plan?

A Wellhead Protection Management Plan (WPMP) is a written document that outlines any system deficiencies and the corrections that need to be made; identifies and prioritizes potential contaminant sources within the wellhead protection area; identifies the protection tools that will be used to manage the potential contaminant sources; and establishes a schedule for implementing the protection plan.

Why do I need a Wellhead Protection Management Plan?

Clean, clear drinking water. It is what we expect when we turn on the tap. The groundwater that supplies your public water system comes from rain and snow that generally falls within a short distance of drinking water wells. This water seeps into the ground and moves towards the aquifer supplying water to your public water system. Sometimes contaminants can also seep into the groundwater and threaten your source of drinking water.

The goal of a WPMP is to prevent contaminants from entering your public drinking water source. This can be accomplished by managing the land and the potential contaminant sources that lay within the recharge area contributing groundwater to your well.



Wellhead protection planning is an effective way of ensuring your community has a long-term source of clean and safe drinking water.

How do I develop a Wellhead Protection Management Program?

Step 1-You will need to have a copy of the completed Source Water Assessment report for your public water system. The source water assessment report will provide you with important information on the wellhead protection area and the potential contaminant sources that lay within the area.

Step 2- Fill out the application form on this brochure and return it to ADEC. You will be sent a CD-ROM that you can use as a template or "fill in the blanks" WPMP. The CD will direct you through the information entry process with easy to use methodology and easy to understand instructions. The CD also contains templates for implementing your WPMP, fact sheets on Best Management Practices, and important web resources. The end product will be a printed WPMP specifically designed for your public drinking water system.

Step 3- Return a copy of the completed WPMP to ADEC. Fill out the application form, tear out the post card along the dotted lines, and attach a 23 cent stamp.

